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Applicant : D. Brumbach et al.  
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Filed : March 17, 2003  
For : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROCESSING  
INFORMATION RELATED TO LABORATORY TESTS AND  
RESULTS  
Examiner : Mary C. Baran  
Art Unit : 2857

**Amendment**

Hon. Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 1, 2005, please amend the  
above identified application as follows.

Please charge deposit account 19-2179 for any fee associated with this  
amendment.

In the specification:

Replace the Abstract with the following.

A system and method are provided that address the need for an improved  
microbiology validation system that monitors and validates clinical culture laboratory  
test results as they occur throughout the testing lifecycle of a clinical culture.  
Techniques are provided that consider the results of earlier performed tests when  
entering results for later performed tests so that inconsistent or wrong test results of a  
patient are not inadvertently released to a physician for review.

On page 2 lines 5-6 replace "results depend in large part" with --results  
depend primarily--.